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SUBJECT: EXTRADITION - ROBERT VESCO

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1. MORNING PAPERS TODAY, JUNE 10, CARRY FULL REPORT ON U. S. REQUEST FOR VESCO' S EXTRADITION. " LA NACION" SAYS REQUEST WAS BASED ON " AN ACCUSATION OF ICC AGAINST ROBERT VESCO FOR IMPROPER USE OF TELEGRAPH. ACCORDING TO AMBASSADOR VAKY' S EXPLANATION TO THE JUDGE, VESCO USED THE TELEGRAPH IN THE FORM OF A CABLE FROM THE BAHAMAS TO HAVE $250,000 DEPOSITED IN A SPECIAL ACCOUNT IN NEW YORK."

2. " LA NACION" ACCOUNT SETS FORTH FOUR OPTIONS FROM WHICH LOCAL JUDGE MAY CHOOSE IN CONSIDERING USG REQUEST: (A) ORDER PREVENTIVE ARREST; (B) ASK THE USG FOR MORE EVIDENCE; (C) HEAR VESCO' S DEFENSE; (D) REJECT THE REQUEST. ARTICLE OBSERVES THAT EXTRADITION CASE CAN DRAG ON IN COSTA RICA: ONE CASE CONCERNING TWO PERUVIANS HAS BEEN PENDING OVER EIGHT MONTHS.

3. DETAILS IN " LA NACION" ARTICLE ABOUT CABLE FROM BAHAMAS PROBABLY BASED ON EMBASSY DIPLOMATIC NOTE OF JUNE 7, WHICH DREW HEAVILY ON, AND INCLUDED DETAILS OF CASE AS PROVIDED IN STATE 108733, ALTHOUGH WE DOUBT THAT PAPER
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HAD TEXT OF NOTE. AMBASSADOR' S SWORN COMPLAINT TO COURT ON JUNE 8 DID NOT GIVE DETAILS OF ACCUSATION, BUT IT DID OF COURSE CITE 18 USG 1343 AS BASIS FOR CHARGES AND WARRANT OF ARREST IN U. S. . COPIES OF DIPLOMATIC NOTE AND SWORN COMPLAINT WILL BE POUCHED TO ARA/ CEN MONDAY.
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